

1907-013 Chancery Causes: Gdn. of Amanda Belle Reasor to by vs. Amanda Belle Reasor to  
Lee Co.

Umstead, Barron, Olinger, Baker

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CIRCUIT COURT OF LEE COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian of Amanda Belle  
Reasor, and ~~Cass~~ <sup>Cass</sup> Alexander Reasor, Complainant.

vs. BILL IN EQUITY:

Amanda Belle Reasor, ~~Cass~~ <sup>Cass</sup> Alexander Reasor,  
Manerva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J.  
Reasor, Peter Reasor, and Martha Frances Reasor, Defendants.

To the Honorable H. A. W. Skeen, Judge of the Circuit Court of Lee  
County, Virginia:

Your Orator, D. S. Reasor, Sr., of the said County  
of Lee states unto the Court as follows:

That he is the duly appointed and qualified guardian  
in the State of Virginia for Amanda Belle Reasor and ~~Cass~~ <sup>Cass</sup> Alexander  
Reasor, infants under the age of twenty one (21) years, but over  
the age of fourteen (14) years, as will appear by reference to the  
duly certified copies of the orders of appointment and bond  
made by and in Your Honor's Court, and filed herewith marked re-  
spectively, "appointment" and "bond", and prayed to be taken as a  
part of this bill; that the said infants are aged as follows,  
Amanda Belle Reasor, aged eighteen years, and ~~Cass~~ <sup>Cass</sup> Alexander Reasor  
aged sixteen years; that the said Amanda Belle Reasor and ~~Cass~~  
Alexander <sup>Cass</sup> Reasor are two of the seven heirs at law of John J.  
Reasor, deceased, and as such are the owners in fee simple of an  
undivided two sevenths of a one eighth interest, making a two fifty-  
<sup>undivided</sup> sixths interest, in and to all that certain tract or parcel of land  
situate in the County of Lee, State of Virginia, in the Crab Or-  
chard on the North Fork of Powells River, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a stake at the mouth of Wells, <sup>Branch</sup> the same em-  
ptying into Big Crab Orchard Creek, thence up said Big Crab Orchard



Creek the following courses and distances, North twenty three degrees East eighty two feet to a stake, North fifty three degrees and fifteen minutes West one hundred and fifteen feet to a stake, North twenty three degrees West one hundred and fifty eight feet to a stake, North nineteen degrees West two hundred ~~far~~ and three feet to a stake, North ten degrees West forty seven feet to a stake, North thirty nine degrees and forty five minutes West seventy seven feet to a stake in said creek in the South line of the Preston grant; thence leaving said creek and with the south line of said grant North eighty eight degrees and twenty minutes West two thousand three hundred and sixteen feet to a double dogwood and fallen white oak; thence South five degrees East one thousand five hundred and forty feet to a large rock and maple near the north bank of the said North Fork; thence crossing said Fork, South twelve degrees and thirty seven minutes East three thousand six hundred and ninety two feet to a stake, blackgum pointer; thence South fifty four degrees East eighteen hundred and eighty one feet to a stake; thence, again crossing said North Fork, North one degrees and three minutes East five thousand five hundred and seventy three feet to the beginning, containing two hundred and sixty six and sixty two one hundredths (266.62) acres, more or less;

The said real estate was derived by the said infants by descent from their father the said John J. Reasor; that this is, <sup>practically</sup> all the property, real or personal, which the said infants own in the State of Virginia, and your orator is informed and believes that it is all the property of any consequence which the said infants own; that the said real estate is mainly unimproved and has never yielded any income for the said defendants, and their interest in the said estate being such a small undivided part of the total of the estate, it is not likely that it will yield any benefits or income; but your orator thinks that the interest of his said wards



*M. J. Shank  
Bill of Sale*

will be greatly promoted by a sale of the real estate aforesaid, and the investment of the proceeds arising therefrom under the orders of this Court, in other property, or in the maintenance or education of his said wards, and that he believes that the rights of no person will be violated by such sale and investment; if the said infants were dead, the following persons would be their heirs, or distributees, Manerva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor, all of whom are brothers and sisters of your orator's said wards;

Wherefore, your orator being remediless to protect and promote the interests of his said wards, save by appeal to a court of equity, wherein alone such matters are properly cognizable, prays that the said Amanda Belle Reasor, <sup>Cass</sup> ~~Cass~~ Alexander Reasor, Manerva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor be made parties defendant to this bill and be required to answer the same, the infants by their guardian ad litem to be assigned them; and that the said infants being over fourteen years of age, and that the said guardian ad litem so to be assigned, be required to answer under oath, but that the other adult defendants be not required to answer under oath, that being hereby expressly waived; that the said land may be decreed to be sold and that the proceeds arising therefrom invested as the court shall direct; that all proper allowances for counsel fees be made in this suit; that all proper accounts may be taken and inquiries directed, and such other further and general relief may be granted as to equity and good conscience may seem meet and proper; that an order of publication be issued against the said Amanda Belle Reasor, <sup>Cass</sup> ~~Cass~~ Alexander Reasor, Manerva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor, all of whom are non residents of this commonwealth, and that <sup>all proper</sup> ~~other~~ process issue;

And your orator will ever pray, etc.

*B. L. Reasor*  
*Guardian*  
*of Amanda Belle Reasor*  
*and Alexander Cass Reasor*



*Wise*  
Virginia: ~~Lee~~ County, to-wit:

This day D. S. Reasor, Sr., personally appeared  
before me *D. S. Reasor*, a <sup>*Notary Public*</sup> ~~Justice of the Peace~~ x  
in and for the County and State aforesaid, and made oath that the  
matters stated in the foregoing x bill as of his own knowledge are  
true, and that those stated on the knowledge and information of  
others he believes to be true.

Given under my hand this 12 day of February, 1907.

*D. S. Reasor*, *Notary Public*,  
~~Justice of the Peace.~~

*Wise*  
~~Lee~~ County, Virginia.

*Bullett & Kelly,*  
*John W. Chaceley,*  
*J. W.*



Costs:

Clk \$6.89<sup>(8.75)</sup>

atty. 15.00

Printer 5.70

Com. 1.50

G.A.L. 5.00

Estimated 3.00

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As Reasoner Guardian re

} Rule in Equity

Amanda Belle Reasoner et al  
Filed Feb. 14, 1907-

H.C.D. Ewing, Clerk

1907 1<sup>st</sup> Mch. Rules  
Contd for O.P.  
" 2<sup>nd</sup> Mch Rules  
Contd for O.P.  
" 1<sup>st</sup> April Rules  
O.P. completed &  
cause set for  
hearing.



In the Circuit Court for the County of Lee,  
to-wit:

THE ANSWER OF Amanda Belle Reason and  
Alexander Cass Reason -

infants under the age of twenty-one years, by M. G. Ely,  
guardian *ad litem*, assigned to defend them in this suit, to a bill of complaint exhibited against  
them and others in the Circuit Court for the County of  
Lee, by D. S. Reason Guardian and others.

The respondent, reserving to themselves the benefit of all just exceptions to the said bill, for  
answer thereto, answering by said guardian *ad litem*, say that they are infants of  
tender years, and by reason of such disability are incapable of understanding, or of  
taking care of their rights and interests, They therefore commend the same  
to the protection of the court, and prays that no decree may be pronounced which will tend  
to their prejudice.

And having answered, the respondent pray to be hence dismissed with their  
reasonable costs, in this behalf expended; and they will ever pray, &c.

M. G. Ely Guardian *ad litem*.

p. d.

County

OF

Lee

} ss.

This day, M. G. Ely - , whose name is signed to  
the foregoing answer, personally appeared before me, H. G. J. Ewing, Clerk -  
and made oath that the statements made therein, so far as they depend upon his own knowl-  
edge, are true, and so far as they depend upon knowledge derived from others he believes them  
to be true.

Given under my hand, this 1st day of April 1907.

H. G. J. Ewing, Clerk.



Amanda Bell. Reesor et

adv. }

ANSWER  
OF  
INFANT DEFENDANT.

D. S. Reesor Guardian

Filed 1<sup>st</sup> April 1882

H. C. T. Ewing,  
Clerk.

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CIRCUIT COURT OF LEE COUNTY.

D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian, et al,

vs.

Alexander  
Amanda Belle Reasor and Cass Reasor, et al.

Decree Final.

This cause came on this the \_\_\_\_ day of December, 1907, to be heard upon the papers formerly read herein and upon the Report of J. F. Bullitt, Special Commissioner, heretofore filed herein on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1907, showing execution of deed *and the report of Geo. P. Criddle, Special Commissioner, showing complete disbursement of all funds in his hands, filed Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1907,* to purchaser, and was argued by Counsel;

And it appearing to the Court that the said J. F. Bullitt, Special Commissioner, has made proper deed to the purchaser, the Interstate Investment Company, conveying to it the undivided two sevenths of Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor in and to an undivided one eighth interest (making an undivided two fifty-sixth interest) in and to the two hundred and sixty six and sixty two hundredths (266.62) acre tract of land sold in this cause; and the Court having inspected the said deed, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said report of the said J. F. Bullitt, Special Commissioner, and the said deed be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed; and the said Interstate Investment Company is given leave to withdraw the said deed from the papers in this cause upon the payment to J. F. Bullitt, Special Commissioner, of the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for making the said deed. *And it appearing from the said report of Geo. P. Criddle, Special Commissioner that he has properly disbursed all funds in his hands arising from said interests in said tract of land and there being no exceptions to said report, it is further adjudged ordered and decreed that the said report of said Commissioner Geo. P. Criddle, and the said disbursements so reported to have been made by him, be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.*

*And there appearing nothing further to be done in this cause the same is stricken from the docket.*



W. Reason & Guardian et al

vs. Decree final

Amanda Bell Reason et al

Enter this Decree

H. A. W. Skem  
Dec. 18, 1907.

Entered in C. C. B.  
# 8, page 351



D. S. REASOR, Sr. Guard for &c. - - - - - Plaintiff.

Vs. In Chancery.

AMANDA BELLE REASOR ET AL - - - - - Defendants.

This cause came on this day to be heard upon the papers formerly read herein and the report of Geo.P.Cridlin, Special Commissioner filed in the cause on the 22 day of July, 1907, and was argued by counsel:

On consideration of all of which, and there being no exceptions to the said report or the sale therein reported, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said report of the said Geo. P.Cridlin, Special Commissioner, and the sale therein reported of the 2/56 interests of the infant defendants, Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, in the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, to the Interstate Investment Company, a corporation, at the price of \$200.05, be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

And it appearing to the Court that the said purchaser paid down in cash to said Commissioner Geo.P.Cridlin, on the day of sale, the full amount of said purchase money, it electing so to do as provided in the decree entered in this cause on the 20th day of May, 1907, and that said purchaser is now entitled to a conveyance of the said interests in said real estate so purchased by it, it is therefore, further adjudged, ordered and decreed that J.F.Bullitt, who is hereby appointed a Special Commissioner for the purpose, shall execute and acknowledge a deed conveying, with covenants of Special Warranty, to the said Interstate Investment Company the said 2/56 interests of the said infant defendants Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor in the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, and report the same to Court.

And the Court being of opinion that the said D.S.Reasor, Sr. Guardian for said infant defendants Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, before receiving the fund arising from the sale of real estate in this cause, should execute additional bond, it is therefore, further adjudged ordered and decreed that said D.S.Reasor,



Sr. as Guardian for said two infants, before receiving said fund arising from the sale of said real estate in this cause, shall execute before the Clerk of this Court bond, in addition to his bond heretofore executed as such guardian, in the penalty of \$400<sup>00</sup> conditioned to faithfully preserve and account for the whole and every part of the fund received by him, arising from the sale of said real estate. And said Special Commissioner, Geo. P. Cridlin, *after said Guardian has executed said additional bond* ~~will deposit said fund so going to said infants, after deducting the costs of this suit and commissions of sale, in the Powell's Valley Bank, at Jonesville, Virginia, on time certificate, payable to himself as Special Commissioner, in three months from date, bearing interest at the rate of 4% per annum, and so keep the same on deposit until the said P. S. Reasor, Sr. Guardian, has executed said additional bond, after which, as soon as said time certificate is due and collectable, he will collect the same with its accumulated interest~~ *will* ~~and~~ *said fund* pay ~~it~~ over to said Guardian, taking his receipt therefor.

And said Commissioner Geo. P. Cridlin, is further ordered to pay out of the said fund the costs of this suit as taxed by the Clerk of this Court, retaining for himself his proper commissions for making said sale, and he will report his action hereunder to Court.

And this cause is continued.



D. S. Reason Sr. Guard  
vs. { In Chy.

Amanda Bell Reason & Co.

Decree Confirming sale.

Entered in C.B.  
#8, Page 336 &c.

Enter this Decree  
Sept. 24, 1907  
H. A. W. Shum



CIRCUIT COURT OF LEE COUNTY.

D. S. REASOR, Guardian for &c. - - - - - Complainant

Vs.

Amanda Belle Reasor et al - - - - - Defendants.

This cause came on this 20th day of May, 1907, to be heard upon the Bill and Exhibits filed therewith, the verified answer of the infant defendants Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, by their Guardian ad litem M.G.Ely, and the depositions and was argued by counsel of witnesses; and it appearing to the Court that Manerva Unstead, Rebecca J. Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor are non-residents and that they have proceeded against as required by law in case of non-resident defendants, and that they have failed and still fail to appear, plead or answer herein, the bill is taken for confessed as to them; and it further appearing to the Court that the said Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor are non-residents of the state of Virginia, and that their interests will be promoted by a sale of their interest in the land in the bill mentioned, and that the rights of no person will be violated thereby, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that Geo. P.Cridlin, who is hereby appointed a Special Commissioner for the purpose shall after having advertised the time, terms and place of sale for two weekly issues in the Jonesville Star, a newspaper published in Jonesville, Virginia, and by posting a notice at the front door of the Court house in Jonesville for at least ten days prior to said sale, proceed to sell the interest of the said infants in said land at public auction, to the highest bidder, upon the terms of one third cash, in the balance in twelve months from the day of sale with interest from day of sale. The said credit installment to be evidenced by the note of the purchaser, and title to the property to be retained as security therefor until the whole of the purchase money is paid and a conveyance directed by the Court; provided, nevertheless that the purchaser may if he so elects pay the whole of the said purchase money in cash. Before the said Commissioner shall proceed to act under



this decree he shall execute bond with good surety before the Clerk of this Court, payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia in the penalty of \$300.00, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties hereunder. Said Commissioner will report his action hereunder to the Court, and this cause is continued.



D. S. Reason Sr.  
Guardian & c

or. } Deuce for  
Oak

Amanda Belle  
Reason et al

Enter this  
May 20/07.

Hawthorn

Judge

Entered in CO. 12  
#8, page 2787c



D. S. REASOR, Sr. Guard for &c. - - - - - Plaintiff.

vs. In Chancery.

AMANDA BELLE REASOR ET AL - - - - - Defendants.

This cause came on this day to be heard upon the papers formerly read herein and the report of Geo.P.Gridlin, Special Commissioner filed in the cause on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1907, and was argued by counsel:

On consideration of all of which, and there being no exceptions to the said report or the sale therein reported, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said report of the said Geo. P.Gridlin, Special Commissioner, and the sale therein reported of the 2/56 interests of the infant defendants, Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, in the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, to the Interstate Investment Company, a corporation, at the price of \$200.05, be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

And it appearing to the Court that the said purchaser paid down in cash to said Commissioner Geo.P.Gridlin, on the day of sale, the full amount of said purchase money, it electing so to do as provided in the decree entered in this cause on the 20th day of May, 1907, and that said purchaser is now entitled to a conveyance of the said interests in said real estate so purchased by it, it is therefore, further adjudged, ordered and decreed that J.F.Bullitt, who is hereby appointed a Special Commissioner for the purpose, shall execute and acknowledge a deed conveying, with covenants of Special Warranty, to the said Interstate Investment Company the said 2/56 interests of the said infant defendants Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor in the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, and report the same to Court.

And the Court being of opinion that the said D.S.Reasor, Sr. Guardian for said infant defendants Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, before receiving the fund arising from the sale of real estate in this cause, should execute additional bond, it is therefore, further adjudged ordered and decreed that said D.S.Reasor,



Sr. as Guardian for said two infants, before receiving said fund arising from the sale of said real estate in this cause, shall execute before the Clerk of this Court bond, in addition to his bond heretofore executed as such guardian, in the penalty of \$\_\_\_\_\_ conditioned to faithfully preserve and account for the whole and every part of the fund received by him, arising from the sale of said real estate. And said Special Commissioner, Geo. P. Cridlin, will deposit said fund so going to said infants, after deducting the costs of this suit and commissions of sale, in the Powell's Valley Bank, at Jonesville, Virginia, on time certificate, payable to himself as Special Commissioner, in three months from date, bearing interest at the rate of 4 % per annum, and so keep the same on deposit until the said D. S. Reasor, Sr. Guardian, has executed said additional bond, after which, as soon as said time certificate is due and collectable, he will collect the same with its accumulated interest and pay it over to said Guardian, taking his receipt therefor.

And said Commissioner Geo. P. Cridlin, is further ordered to pay out of the said fund the costs of this suit as taxed by the Clerk of this Court, retaining for himself his proper commissions for making said sale, and he will report his action hereunder to Court.

And this cause is continued.



CIRCUIT COURT OF LEE COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian &c.

vs.

Amanda Bell Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, et al.

This cause came on this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 1907, to be heard upon the papers formerly read herein and upon the report of George P. Cridlen, Special Commissioner filed herein on the 22nd day of July, 1907, and was argued by Counsel.

And it appearing to the Court that the said Geo. P. Cridlen, Special Commissioner, pursuant to the decree heretofore entered herein, made sale of the land and interests therein mentioned in the bill and proceedings, on the 8th day of July, 1907, at the front door of the Court House of Lee County, Virginia, at public outcry to the highest bidder, said Cridlen previously thereto having executed bond and advertised said sale in the Jonesville Star, and given the other notice required by the decree under which he acted; at which sale the Interstate Investment Company became the purchaser of the said undivided two fifty-sixths interest of Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor in and to the 266.62 acre tract of land in the said decree and proceedings mentioned, at the price of Two hundred Dollars and five cents (\$200.05), that being the amount of their bid, and being the highest and best offer therefor;

And, it appearing to the Court that the said purchaser has paid the whole of the said amount to the said Commissioner Cridlen, and the said report having been filed for more than ten days, and there being no exceptions thereto, it is adjudged ordered and decreed that the said report and the said sale be and the same is hereby approved and confirmed.



And it is further adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said George P. Cridlen, who is hereby appointed a Special Commissioner for the purpose, shall make and execute to the said Interstate Investment Company a deed conveying to it the said undivided two fifty-sixths interest in the said 266.62 acre tract of land, as set forth in the bill and proceedings herein with covenants of Special Warranty, the said Interstate Investment Company to pay to the said Special Commissioner the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for making said deed; and, thereupon came the said George P. Cridlen, Special Commissioner, and reported to the Court that he had executed the said deed to the said Interstate Investment Company, and tendered the said deed, so executed by him, to the Court for its inspection; and the Court, having inspected the said deed, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said report of the said Geo. P. Cridlen, Special Commissioner, and the said deed be, and the same are hereby confirmed; and the said Interstate Investment Company is given leave to withdraw the said deed, upon the payment to said George P. Cridlen, Special Commissioner, the said sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00 for making said deed;

And the said D. S. Reasor, Guardian, having appeared in open Court and given additional bond for the benefit of his said infant wards, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said George P. Cridlen, who is hereby appointed a Special Commissioner for the purpose, shall make a report showing the costs of this suit, and shall thereafter pay the same to the parties entitled thereto, and shall, after paying said costs, pay over the residue of the funds to the said D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian of Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor; and the said D. S. Reasor, Sr. shall hold the said fund for the benefit of the said infants as required by law.

And this cause is continued.



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Order

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## Order of Publication

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Lee, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1907.

D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian of Amanda<sup>Belle</sup> Reasor  
and ~~Cass~~ Alexander<sup>Cass</sup> Reasor, Complainant.

vs. IN CHANCERY.

Amanda Belle Reasor, ~~Cass~~ Alexander<sup>Cass</sup> Reasor,  
Maherva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J.  
Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor, Defendants.

The object of this suit is to sell the undivided two sevenths of one eighth, amounting to two fifty-sixths fee simple interest of the said Amanda Belle Reasor and ~~Cass~~ Alexander<sup>Cass</sup> Reasor in and to a certain tract or parcel of land in Lee County, Virginia, in the Crab Orchard on the North Fork of Powells River, containing two hundred and sixty six and sixty two one hundredths (266.62) acres, more or less, beginning at the mouth of Wells' Branch and lying on both sides of the North Fork of Powells River, and including the land around the junction of Big Crab Orchard Creek and Wells Branch and the North Fork of Powells River, which said land is fully described in the bill in said cause.

And affidavit having been made and filed that the defendants, Amanda Belle Reasor, ~~Cass~~ Alexander<sup>Cass</sup> Reasor, Maherva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor are nonresidents of this Commonwealth, it is ordered that they appear here within fifteen days after due publication hereof and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit, and it is ordered that a copy of this order be forthwith published ~~for~~ once a week for four successive weeks in the Jonesville Star, a newspaper published in the Town of Jonesville in the said County of Lee, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Court House of this County as the law directs.

<sup>Bullett & Kelly</sup> Acopy Teste:  
<sup>James H. Ewing</sup> J. H. Ewing, clerk.



As Reason Guardian &c

} Order of Publication

Amanda Bell Reason of  
Virginia, Lee County, to-wit:  
I, H.C.P. Ewing, County Clerk,  
do hereby certify that I post-  
ed a true copy of the within  
order of publication at  
the front door of the Court  
house of said County, on  
this day.

Given under my hand,  
this the 15th day of Feby.  
1907.  
H.C.P. Ewing, Clerk.



The deposition of J.B.F.Olinger, taken by agreement, at the office of M.G.Ely, in the town of Jonesville, Virginia, on the 20th day of May, 1907, before Geo.P.Cridlin, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of Lee County, Va. to be read as evidence on behalf of plaintiff in a certain suit in equity pending in the Circuit Court of Lee County, wherein D.S.Reasor, Sr. Guardian of Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, is complainant and the said Amanda Belle Reasor et al are defendants;

Present M.G.Ely, Guardian ad litem of said Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, and J. F. Bullitt attorney for the complainant.

J.B.F. Olinger a witness of lawful age being duly sworn deposes as follows:

Q.1.-- State whether or not you are related by marriage to the infant defendants Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor?

A.-- I am their uncle by marriage.

Q.2.-- Did your wife own an undivided one-eighth interest in the land mentioned in this suit?

A.-- Yes sir.

Q.3.-- Did she sell her interest therein?

A.-- Yes sir.

Q.4.-- What rate per acre did she sell the same at?

A.-- At \$15.00 per acre.

Q.4.-- The bill states that the said infants are each entitled to an undivided one-fifty-sixth interest in said land, is this correct?

A.-- John J. Reasor, their father, who is now dead owned an undivided one-eighth interest in said property. He left seven children. This would make each of them entitled to a one-seventh of a one-eighth.

Q.5.-- Did said infant children own any other property?

A.-- They own no other property that I know of except as follows: First, there is a possibility that the will of their uncle A.C. Reasor may be contested and if so and if it should be set aside



these children would inherit one-seventh of one-seventh of the property left by A.C.Reasor. The property left by A.C.Reasor is worth perhaps \$3000.00; Second, there is a tract of land containing about 43 acres which lies adjoining the land described in this suit, the title to which is claimed by Flanary and Slomp. The said children own each an undivided one-seventh of a one-eighth in this 43 acre tract; Third, It has been my understanding that Gree Reasor the administrator of Peter Reasor, has never settled with these children on account of their interest in the estate of Peter Reasor, th t is the personal property. It is my understanding that their interest would be in this personal property about \$100 that is that all seven of John J. Reasor's children would be entitled to about \$100.00 in this estate, and that ach one would get one-seventh of this amount.

Q.6.-- Is the land mentioned in the bill improved or unimproved?

A.-- It is unimproved.

Q.7.-- Has it ever yielded any income

A.-- It has not.

Q.8.-- The Interstate Investment Co. has offered to bid on said land, if it is sold in this suit enough to make it yield at the rate of \$15.00 per acre, over and above all cost and expense of this suit, state whether in your opinion it is to the interest of the said infants to sell their interest in the said land on the conditions above set forth?

A.-- I don't believe it would do to partition the said land, and think it would be to the interest off said children to sell the said land at that price.

Q.9.-- If the said infants were dead, who would be their heirs?

A.-- Their brothers and sisters, viz: Manerva Nmstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor.

I have just leanred through Mr. L. T. Hyatt that the said children are interest in another tract of land lying in Lee County, containing about 40 acres. They own as Mr. Hyatt states a half- ~~xx~~ interest in said tract ofland, or rather in the reversion thereof after the death of Dillard Graham



And further this depoent saith not.

J.B.F. Olinger

Virginia, Lee County, to-wit:

I, Geo.P.Cridlin, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia, do certify that the foregoing deposition of J.B.F.Olinger, was taken, sworn, to and subscribed before me at the time, place and for the purpose in the caption mentioned.

Given under my hand this the 20th day of May, 1907.

Geo.P.Cridlin  
Commissioner in Chancery.



D. S. Reason Guard  
re. { In City

Amanda Belle Reason

Filed May 20, 1907

N. C. D. Ewing.  
Clerk

Cover fee \$1.50



State of Virginia :  
County of Wise : To-wit:  
:

This day R. D. Baker, personally appeared before me,  
G. L. Taylor, a Notary Public in and for the County and state  
aforesaid and made oath that Amanda Belle Reasor, ~~Cass~~ Alexander, <sup>Cass</sup>  
Reasor, Manerva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter  
Reasor, and Martha Frances Reasor, against whom a suit inequity  
is about to be instituted in the Circuit Court of Lee County, by  
D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian of the said Amanda Belle Reasor and  
~~Cass~~ Alexander, <sup>Cass</sup> Reasor, are non-residents of this Commonwealth.

Given under my hand this 7th day of February, 1907.  
My Commission expires on the <sup>4th</sup> ~~13~~ day of January - 1911,  
19\_\_\_\_.

*G. L. Taylor*  
Notary Public.



Dr Reason In Guardianship

r. } Affidavit of non-  
residence

Amanda Belle Reason et al  
Filed Feb'y 14, 1907.  
H.C.G. Ewing, Clerk



CIRCUIT COURT OF LEE COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian, et al,

vs.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMISSIONER.

Amanda Belle Reasor, and Alexander Cass Reasor, et al.

The undersigned, J. F. Bullitt, heretofore appointed Special Commissioner herein, with directions to execute a deed to the Interstate Investment Company conveying to it the land and interests therein in the bill and proceedings in the above styled cause mentioned, would respectfully report that he has made and executed such deed to the said Interstate Investment Company purchaser of the said land and interests therein, and herewith tenders the same to the Court for its inspection.

Respectfully submitted,

*J. F. Bullitt*

Special Commissioner.



De Reason & Guardians et al

40. } Report of  
Special Commissioners

Amanda Belle Reason et al

Filed December 17<sup>th</sup> 1907

H. C. J. Ewing, Clerk



D. S. REASOR, Sr. Guard for &c. - - - - - Plaintiff

Vs.

In Chancery.

AMANDA BELLE REASOR ET AL - - - - - Defendants'

To the Honorable H.A.W.Skeen, Judge of the Circuit Court of  
Lee County, Virginia:

begs leave to report  
Your undersigned Special Commissioner, that pursuant to the requirements of the decree entered in the above styled cause on the 24th day of Spetember, 1907, the plaintiff D.S.Reasor, Guardian for the two infant defendants Amanda Belle and Alexander Cass Reasor executed came ibefore the Clerk of the Court and ~~made~~ the additional bond required of him by said decree, after the execution of which bond your Commissioner paid over to said Guardian the sum of \$142,83, that being the amount in full to which his said wards are entitled from the sale of the real estate sold in this cause. This payment was made to said Guardian on said 24th day of September, 1907, and your Commissioner took proper receipt therefor. After the payment of this fund to the Guardian, your Commissioner then disbursed the cost in accordance with the taxing of the same by the Clerk, retaining for himself his proper commissions for making the sale of the said real estate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Geo. P. Cridlin,  
Special Commissioner.



D. S. Reesor, Sr. Guard, &c.  
n. { In Chg.

Amanda Bell Reesor et al  
Comm. Report of Disbursements.

Filed Dec. 3, 1907.

H. C. P. Ewing, Clerk



D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian for &c. -- -- -- -- Plaintiff,

Vs. In Chancery.

Amanda Belle Reasor et all -- -- -- -- Defendants.

To the Honorable H.A.W. Skeen, Judge of the Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia:

Your undersigned Special Commissioner who was by a decree entered in the above styled cause on the 20th day of May, 1907, appointed a Special Commissioner for the purpose, and directed to make sale of the 2/56 interests of the defendants Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor in the lands in the Bill and proceedings mentioned, begs leave to report that after having advertised the time, terms and place of said sale by publishing notice thereof in the Jonesville Star a Weekly Newspaper published at Jonesville Virginia, for two weeks, and by posting a written notice thereof at the front door of the Courthouse of Lee County for more than ten days before days of sale; and after having executed the bond required of him by said decree, he proceeded on the 8th day of July, 1907, (that being the day fixed for the said sale) to offer said <sup>interests in said</sup> land for sale at the front door of the Courthouse of Lee County, at public outcry, at which sale the Interstate Investment Company, a corporation, made the highest and best bid and became the purchaser of said interests at the price of \$200.05. Said Company complied with the terms of said sale by paying to your Commissioner the whole of said purchase money in cash, the decree directing the sale, permitting the purchaser to so pay the same if he elected to do so.

Your Commissioner holdssaid sum of money on deposit in the Powell's Valley Bank, and is ready to pay the same out on the order of the Court.

Respectfully Submitted,

Geo. P. Cridlin  
Special Commissioner.



D. S. Reason, Guard &c.  
vs. { In Chy

Amanda Belle Reason et al  
Report of Sale  
Filed July 22, 1907  
W. C. Ewing, Clerk



Report of Sale

A. I. Benson, Giver

vs

~~Leah~~ Notice

Amelia Belle Benson



I, J. C. Bostick, editor

of The Jonesville Star, a weekly newspaper  
published in the county of Lee, state of Virginia,

do hereby certify that the enclosed notice was  
published in said paper once a week for ~~four~~ <sup>two</sup>

successive weeks, commencing on the 13

day of June 1907

J. C. Bostick, Editor.

FEE \$ 5.70



# NOTICE.

D. S. REASOR, Sr., Guar. for &c. Plaintiff.

Vs.

AMANDA BELLE REASOR et al Defendants.

In chancery.

Pursuant to a decree rendered by the Circuit Court of Lee county, Virginia, at the May term, 1907, in the above styled cause, the undersigned will, at public auction, at the front door of the Courthouse of said county, on the 8th day of July, 1907, proceed to sell, to the highest and best bidder, the following described property to-wit:

The two FIFTY-SIXTHS undivided interests of the infant defendants, Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, in and to all that certain tract of land, lying in Lee county, Virginia, in the Crab Orchard on the North Fork of Powells River, and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake at the mouth of Wells Branch, thence up Big Crab Orchard Creek N. 23 E. 82 feet to a stake N. 53 15 W. 115 feet to a stake. N. 23 W. 158 feet to a stake, N. 19 W. 203 feet to a stake, N. 10 W. 47 feet to a stake, N. 39 45 W. 77 feet to a stake in said creek in the south line of the Preston grant, thence, leaving said creek, and with the south line of said grant N. 88 20' W. 2316 feet to a double dogwook and fallen white oak; thence S. 5 W. 1540 feet to a large rock and maple near the north bank of said North Fork; thence crossing said Fork S. 12 37' E. 3692 feet to a stake, black gum pointer; thence S. 54 E. 1881 feet to a stake; thence, again crossing said Fork N. 1 6' E. 5573 feet to the beginning; containing 266.62 acres, more or less.

**TERMS OF SALE:** One-Third cash, balance in twelve months from day of sale, with interest from that date, the credit installment to be evidenced by note of purchaser, and title to property retained as security therefor until the whole of the purchase money is paid and conveyance directed by the Court; provided, however, that the purchaser may, if he so elect, pay the whole of the purchase money in cash.

This the 5th day of June, 1907.

GEO. P. CRIDLIN,

Special Commissioner.



Memorandum for Clerk:

Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia.

D. S. Reasor, Sr., Guardian of Amanda Belle Reasor,  
and Cass Alexander Reasor, Complainant.

v.

Amanda Belle Reasor, Cass Alexander Reasor,  
Manerva ~~Reasor~~ Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John  
J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor, Defendants.

Bill in Equity, to First March Rules, 1907.

Have Guardian ad litem appointed for infant defendants, Amanda Belle  
Reasor and Cass Alexander Reasor.

Issue order of publication against all defendants, all being non-  
Residents. Affidavit enclosed.

*Bullitt Kelly*  
*John Chalkey*  
p. q.



*D. H. Benson & Co. Guardians &c.*

*2. } Memo for Client*

*Amanda Belle Reasoner*



## Order Of Publication

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the county of Lee, on the 14th day of February, 1907.

D. S. REASOR, Sr., Guardian of Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor, Complainant.

vs.

AMANDA BELLE REASOR, Alexander Cass Reasor, Manerva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor, Defendants

In chancery.

The object of this suit is to sell the undivided two-sevenths of one-eighth, amounting to two fifty-sixths fee simple interest of the said Amanda Belle Reasor and Alexander Cass Reasor in and to a certain tract or parcel of land in Lee county, Virginia, in the Crab Orchard on the North Fork of Powells River, containing two hundred and sixty-six and sixty-two onehundredths (266.62) acres, more or less, beginning at the mouth of Wells' Branch and lying on both sides of the North Fork of Powells river, and including the land around the junction of Big Crab Orchard creek and Wells' branch and the North Fork of Powells river, which said land is fully described in the bill in said cause. And affidavit having been made and filed that the defendants, Amanda Belle Reasor, Alexander Cass Reasor, Manerva Umstead, Rebecca Barron, John J. Reasor, Peter Reasor and Martha Frances Reasor are non-residents of this Commonwealth, it is ordered that they appear here within fifteen days after due publication hereof and do what may be necessary to protect their interest in this suit, and it is ordered that a copy of this order be forthwith published once a week for four successive weeks in the Jonesville Star, a newspaper published in the town of Jonesville in the said County of Lee, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this county as the law directs.

A copy—Teste:

H. C. T. EWING, Clerk.

BULLITT & KELLY and JNO. W. CHALKLEY, p. q.

*D. S. Reasor*

vs

*Chancery*

*Amanda B. Reasor et al*

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I, *J. C. Boutwell*, editor

of The Jonesville Star, a weekly newspaper published in the county of Lee, state of Virginia, do hereby certify that the enclosed notice was published in said paper once a week for four successive weeks, commencing on the 21 day of Feb 1907.

*J. C. Boutwell*, Editor.

FEE \$ 10.60

*Paid*



D. S. Reaser Sr. Guardian  
vs. { In Chy-

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